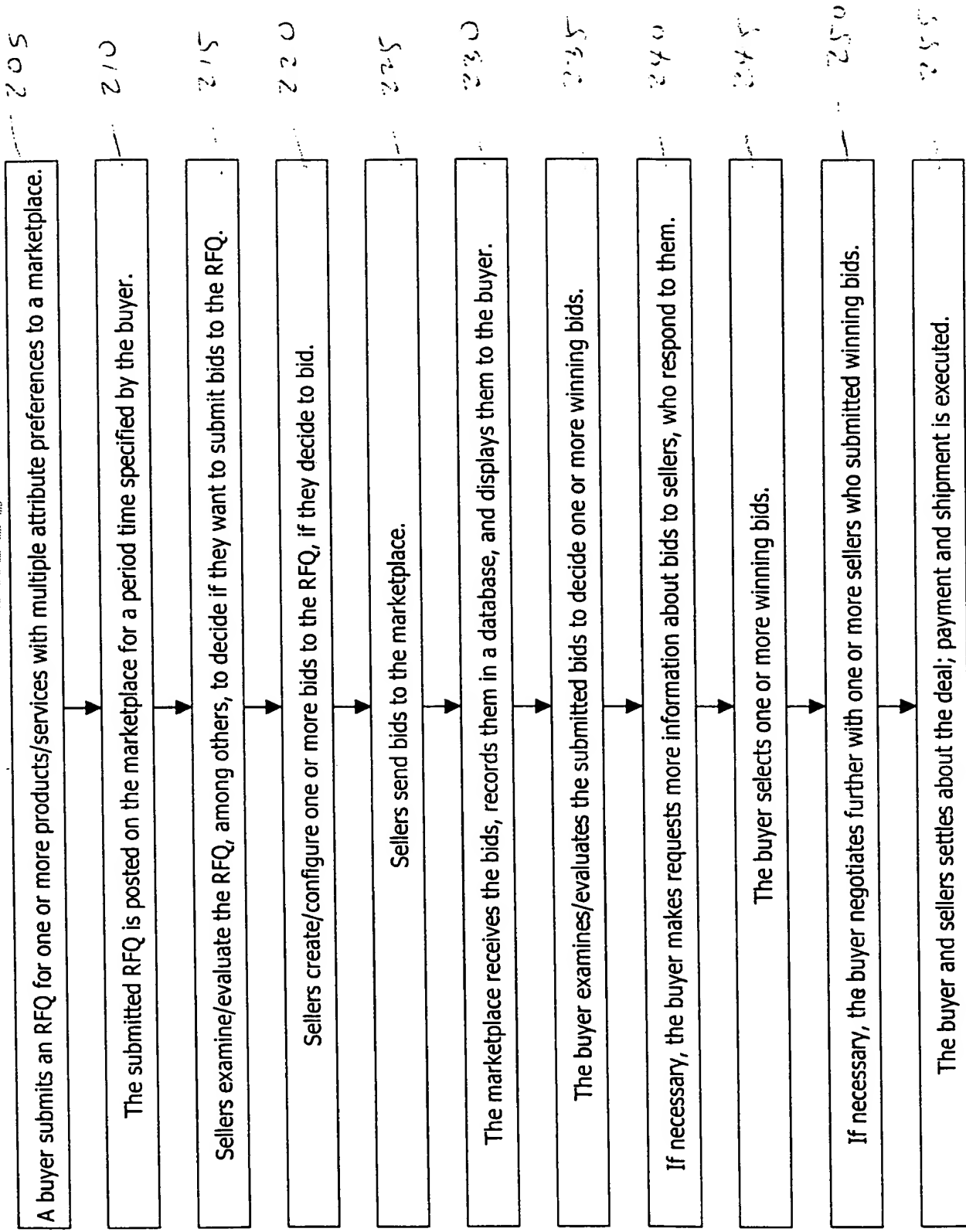
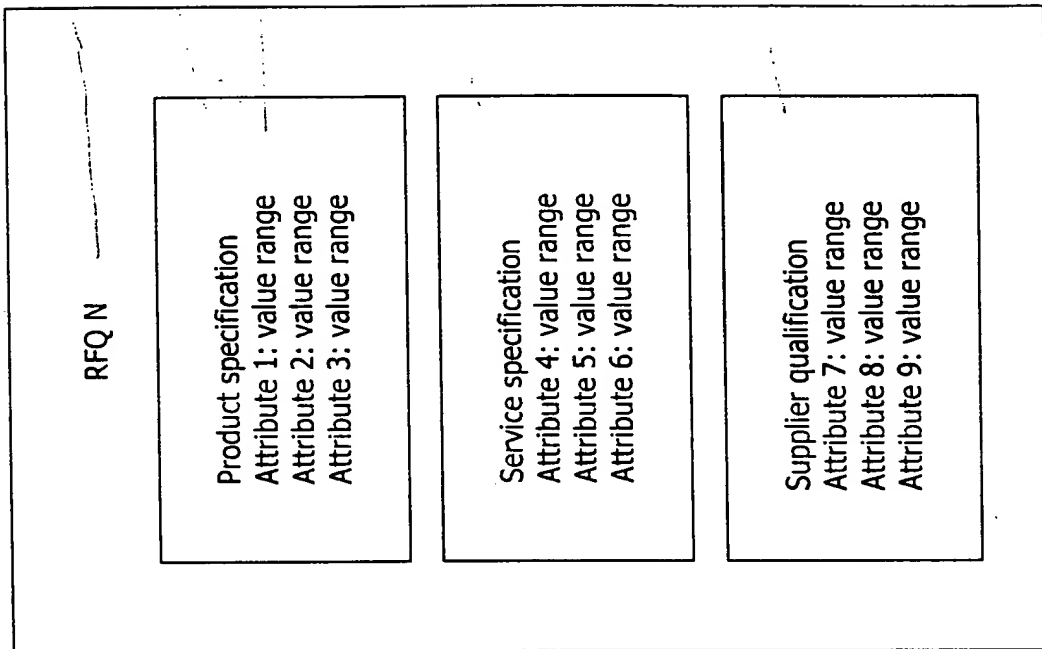


FIG. 1

A block diagram of a preferred system architecture of an electronic marketplace



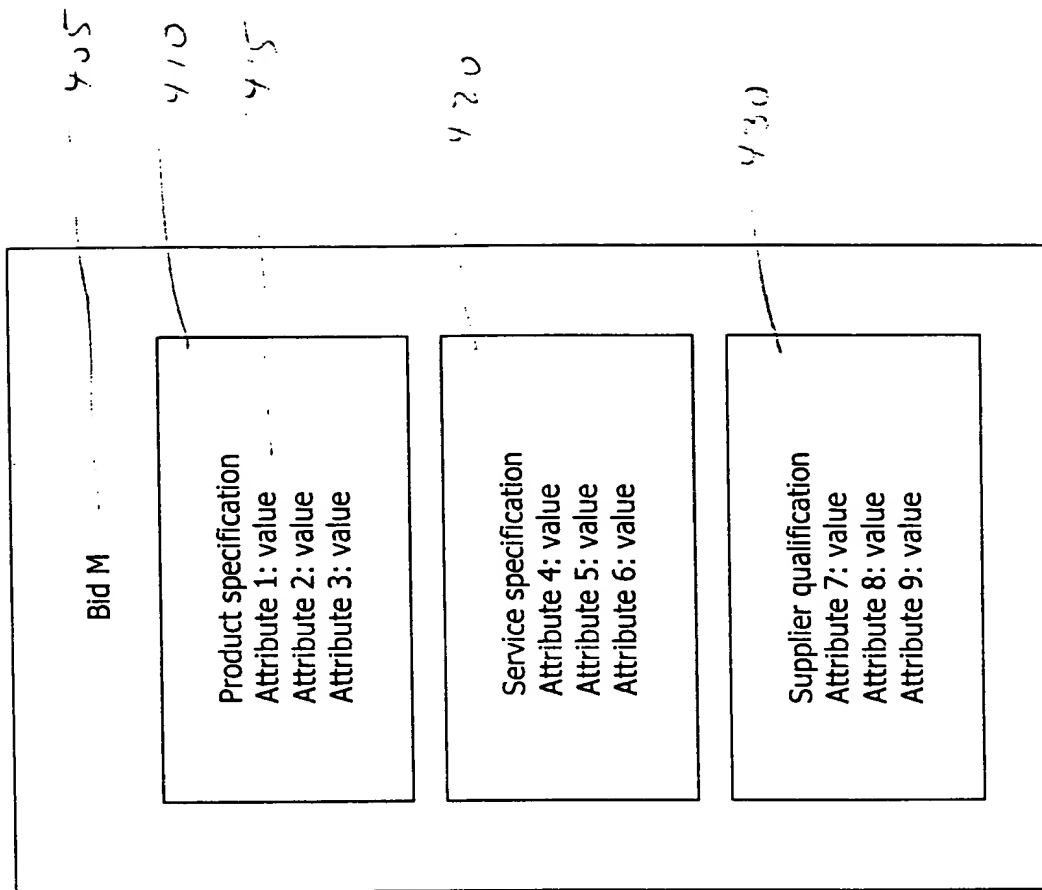
**Fig. 2**  
**A flow chart of a preferred RFQ process**



**Fig. 3**

An example of an RFQ having multiple attributes

400



**Flb. 4**

An example of bids having multiple attributes

500

300

510

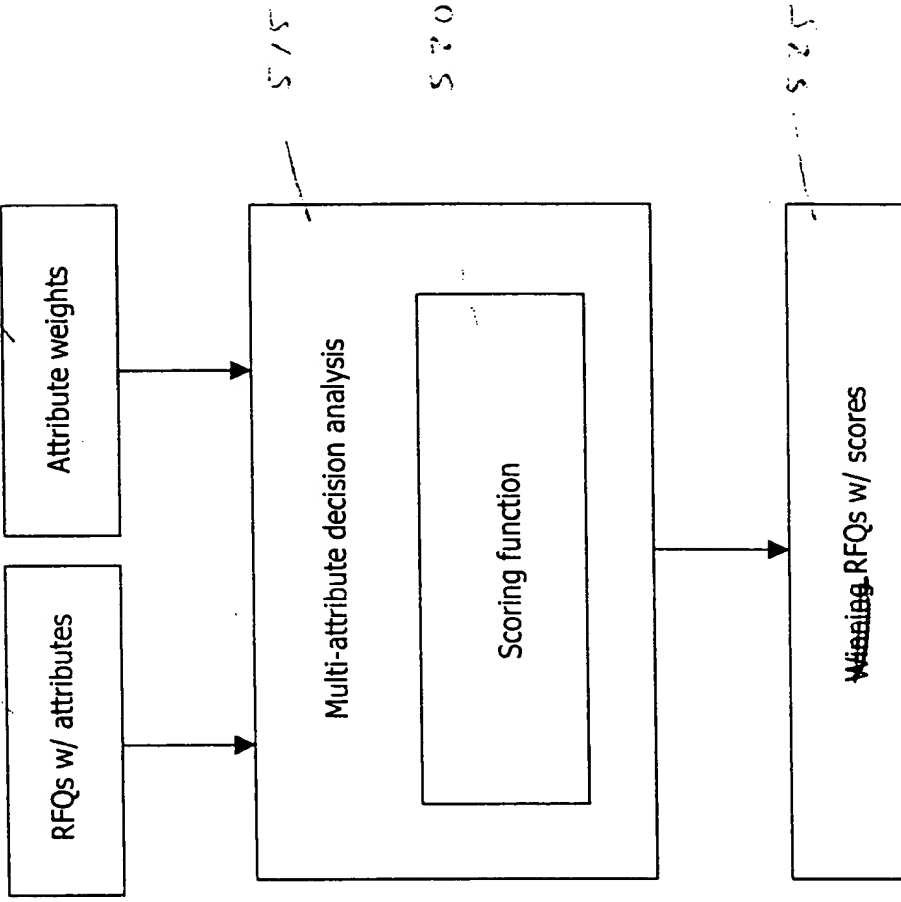


Fig. 5

A block diagram of a preferred RFQ selection process

600

FIG. 6

600

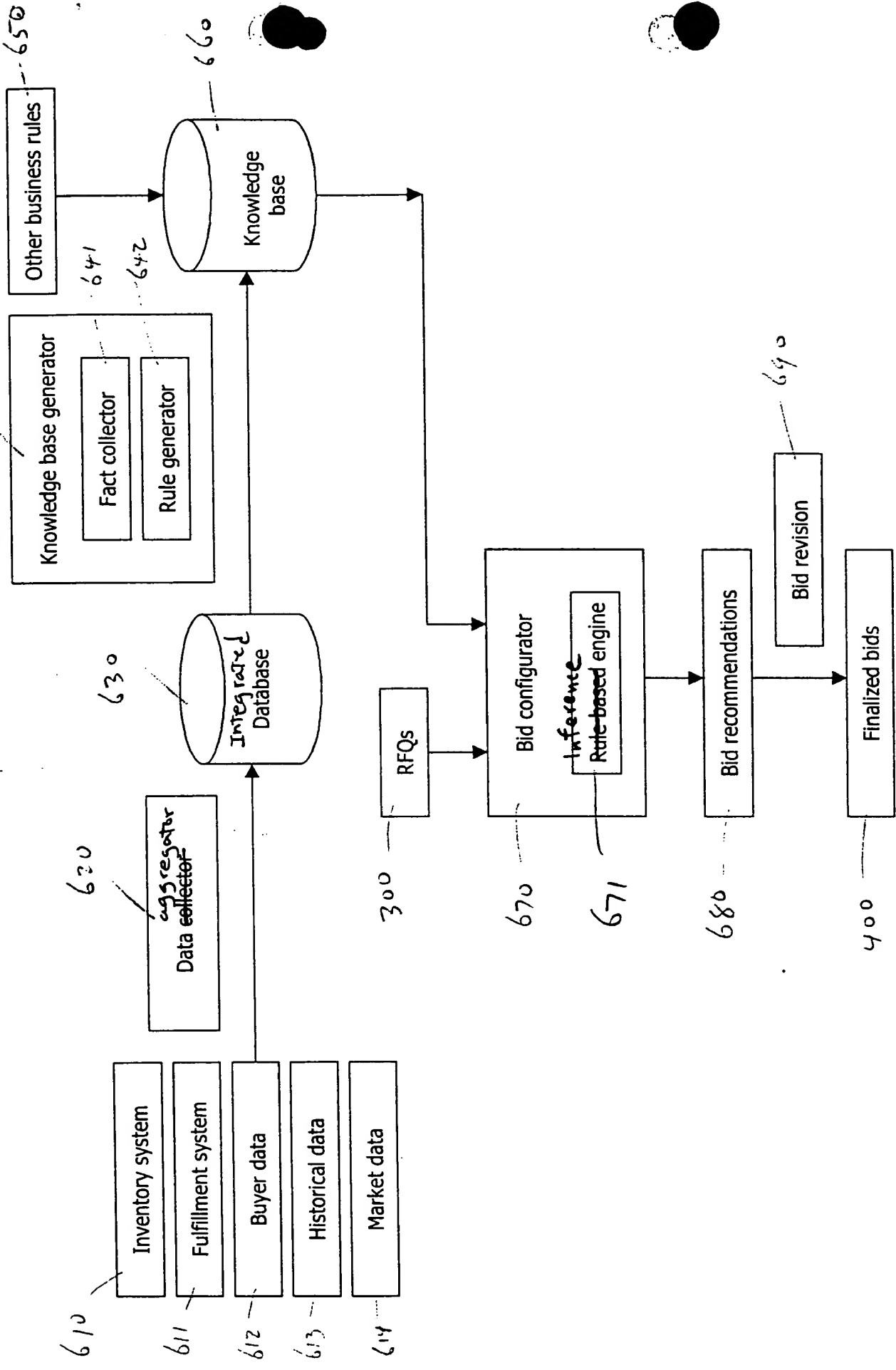


FIG. 6

A block diagram of a preferred bid configuration system

216.

112

712

713

712

516

720

126

730

13

0.46.

156

2 in.

757

F167.8

## Examples of facts for bid configuration